

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 304**

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TO:	The Honorable Lawrence K. "Larry" Grooms, Chairman, Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Local Government May Not Regulate Livestock, Poultry and Agribusinesses More Than the State		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 304 amends Title 47 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by creating Chapter 23, relating to livestock and poultry regulation. The Bill defines "livestock" and "poultry" and provides that a permit issued by a local government must not impose a more restrictive or burdensome requirement than a State statute or regulation relating to the production of livestock, poultry or agribusinesses.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Agriculture, the Department of Health & Environmental Control and Clemson-Public Service Activities each report that the Bill would have no fiscal impact on those agencies.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

Responses from local governments indicate the impact associated with enactment of this Bill is not readily determinable. Some local governments anticipated additional cost for law enforcement at a minimum. Others indicated enactment could also impact property values.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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